

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

Cung Le, Nathan Quarry, Jon Fitch,  
Brandon Vera, Luis Javier Vazquez, and Kyle  
Kingsbury,

Plaintiff(s),

vs.

Zuffa, LLC, d/b/a Ultimate Fighting  
Championship and UFC,

Defendant(s).

Case #2:15-cv-01045

**VERIFIED PETITION FOR  
PERMISSION TO PRACTICE  
IN THIS CASE ONLY BY  
ATTORNEY NOT ADMITTED  
TO THE BAR OF THIS COURT  
AND DESIGNATION OF  
LOCAL COUNSEL**

FILING FEE IS \$250.00

Christopher S. Yates  
(name of petitioner)

, Petitioner, respectfully represents to the Court:

1. That Petitioner is an attorney at law and a member of the law firm of

Latham & Watkins LLP

(firm name)

with offices at 505 Montgomery St. Suite 2000

(street address)

San Francisco

(city)

California

(state)

94111-6538

(zip code)

(415) 391-0600

(area code + telephone number)

Chris.Yates@lw.com

(Email address)

2. That Petitioner has been retained personally or as a member of the law firm by

Zuffa, LLC

[client(s)]

to provide legal representation in connection with

the above-entitled case now pending before this Court.

3. That since 12/14/1992, Petitioner has been and presently is a  
 (date)  
 member in good standing of the bar of the highest Court of the State of California  
 (state)  
 where Petitioner regularly practices law. Petitioner shall attach a certificate from the state bar or  
 from the clerk of the supreme court or highest admitting court of each state, territory, or insular  
 possession of the United States in which the applicant has been admitted to practice law certifying  
 the applicant's membership therein is in good standing.

4. That Petitioner was admitted to practice before the following United States District  
 Courts, United States Circuit Courts of Appeal, the Supreme Court of the United States and Courts  
 of other States on the dates indicated for each, and that Petitioner is presently a member in good  
 standing of the bars of said Courts.

Court	Date Admitted	Bar Number
See Attachment A		

5. That there are or have been no disciplinary proceedings instituted against petitioner,  
 nor any suspension of any license, certificate or privilege to appear before any judicial, regulatory  
 or administrative body, or any resignation or termination in order to avoid disciplinary or  
 disbarment proceedings, except as described in detail below:

None

6. That Petitioner has never been denied admission to the State Bar of Nevada. (Give particulars if ever denied admission):

None

7. That Petitioner is a member of good standing in the following Bar Associations.

California (161273)

8. Petitioner has filed application(s) to appear as counsel under Local Rule IA 11-2 (formerly LR IA 10-2) during the past three (3) years in the following matters: (State "none" if no applications.)

Date of Application	Cause	Title of Court Administrative Body or Arbitrator	Was Application Granted or Denied
None			

(If necessary, please attach a statement of additional applications)


9. Petitioner consents to the jurisdiction of the courts and disciplinary boards of the State of Nevada with respect to the law of this state governing the conduct of attorneys to the same extent as a member of the State Bar of Nevada.

10. Petitioner agrees to comply with the standards of professional conduct required of the members of the bar of this court.

11. Petitioner has disclosed in writing to the client that the applicant is not admitted to practice in this jurisdiction and that the client has consented to such representation.

  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Petitioner's signature

Christopher S. Yates, Petitioner, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:  
That the foregoing statements are true.

  
Petitioner's signature

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,

SEE ATTACHED  
CERTIFICATE

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Notary Public or Clerk of Court

Pursuant to the requirements of the Local Rules of Practice for this Court, the Petitioner believes it to be in the best interests of the client(s) to designate J. Colby Williams,  
(name of local counsel)  
Attorney at Law, member of the State of Nevada and previously admitted to practice before the above-entitled Court as associate resident counsel in this action. The address and email address of said designated Nevada counsel is:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(city)                      Nevada                      89101  
(state)                      (zip code)

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A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA )  
 )  
COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO ) SS

Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me on this 7th day of November, 2023, by Christopher S. Yates, who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) who appeared before me.

Z R Salva



**Attached To: Petition for Permission to Practice**

By this designation the petitioner and undersigned party(ies) agree that this designation constitutes agreement and authorization for the designated resident admitted counsel to sign stipulations binding on all of us.

**APPOINTMENT OF DESIGNATED RESIDENT NEVADA COUNSEL**

The undersigned party(ies) appoint(s) J. Colby Williams as  
(name of local counsel)  
his/her/their Designated Resident Nevada Counsel in this case.

/s/ Riché T. McKnight

(party's signature)

Riché T. McKnight, EVP & General Counsel

(type or print party name, title)

(party's signature)

(type or print party name, title)

**CONSENT OF DESIGNEE**

The undersigned hereby consents to serve as associate resident Nevada counsel in this case.



Designated Resident Nevada Counsel's signature

5549

Bar number

jcw@cwlawlv.com

Email address

APPROVED:

Dated: this 8 day of November, 2023.

  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

**ATTACHMENT A**  
**Christopher S. Yates**  
**Court Admissions**

<b>COURT</b>	<b>DATE ADMITTED</b>	<b>BAR NUMBER</b>
U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California	12/14/1992	
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California	02/11/1993	
U.S. District Court for the Central District of California	12/21/1992	
U.S. District Court for the Southern District of California	12/18/1992	
U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit	06/26/2023	1208496
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit	11/07/2017	
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit	09/29/2022	
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit	07/28/2014	
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit	12/04/2007	
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit	12/21/1992	
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit	09/04/2002	
U.S. Supreme Court	02/23/2009	



# Supreme Court of California

JORGE E. NAVARRETE

*Clerk and Executive Officer of the Supreme Court*

## CERTIFICATE OF THE CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT

OF THE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

**CHRISTOPHER ST. JOHN YATES**

*I, JORGE E. NAVARRETE, Clerk of the Supreme Court of the State of California, do hereby certify that CHRISTOPHER ST. JOHN YATES, # 161273, was on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1992, duly admitted to practice as an attorney and counselor at law in all the courts of this state, and is now listed on the Roll of Attorneys as a member of the bar of this state in good standing.*

*Witness my hand and the seal of the court  
on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of July 2023.*

JORGE E. NAVARRETE  
*Clerk of the Supreme Court*

By: \_\_\_\_\_

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Biying Jia", is written over a faint circular seal of the Supreme Court of California.

*Biying Jia, Assistant Deputy Clerk*